



# Quips, Queries and Conundrums.

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## Why Shaves Went Up

The barber had raised his price for a shave. One day a man went in and asked him what was the reason. The barber replied, "Well, men's faces have grown longer since July 1st."

Woodbridge, N. J. Kathryn Spencer (13 years).

"What does a volcano do with its lava?" asked Freddy.

"Give it up," replied the father.

"That's right," said Freddy.

"How much are these chickens?" asked a lady of a market keeper.

"I sell them at \$1 each," said the market man.

"Do you raise them yourself?"

"Oh, yes; they were 75 cents yesterday."

Brooklyn, N. Y. Sol. Huberman.

Mike—I heard you got a letter from your brother Denny.

Pat—Indeed, I did.

Mike—Was there anything important in the letter?

Pat—Well, I didn't open it, for on the outside of the envelope was printed "Please return in five days." So I sent it back.

An Irishman came over to this country to find his brother. He had the number, 2269 Broadway, and as he was walking along he saw a trolley car go by. On it he read "2269 Broadway." "Begorra," said he, "there's my brother's house running away."

Brooklyn, N. Y. Benjamin Edenberg (12 years).

"Why is the letter 'a' like 12 o'clock?"

"Because it is in the middle of day."

Denver, Col. Ernest Collins (8 years).

## Lucky Thirteen

Did you ever notice on a quarter or half dollar that there are thirteen stars on each side, thirteen arrows in the eagle's claw, thirteen leaves on the branch in the other claw, thirteen feathers in each wing, thirteen vertical stripes on the shield and thirteen horizontal stripes on the same shield, thirteen letters in "E Pluribus Unum," exactly thirteen times thirteen tiny millings on each side, and sometimes the date of 1913, making just thirty-six thirteens?

Brooklyn, N. Y. Anna Friedman (12 years).

A lady was married at 19 years of age, 6 years after that she had a son born, who lived 41 years and died before his mother. The mother lived four times 7 years longer and died also. What was the age of the mother when she died?

Answer—Ninety-four.

Newport, R. I. Florence Havemeyer (13½ years).

Johnny was scrubbed by his aunt until he was red, so his mother could take him to the zoo. He still felt the smart of the washcloth when he got there. When they came to a queer animal in a cage Johnny asked what it was.

"That's an ant eater, dear," replied his mother.

"Ah, let's get auntie and put her in there," was the answer.

Pat and Mike were watching some bricklayers at work.

"Moike," said Pat, "what is it that keeps the bricks together?"

"Why, of course, it's the mortar," replied Mike.

"Indade, no; that's what keeps them apart," answered Pat.

"Now, Johnny," said the teacher after much explaining against the use of "ain't," "why shouldn't we say 'ain't'?"

"Because, ma'am," said Johnny, "there ain't no such word as 'ain't.'"

Adam's Basin, N. Y.

M. E. B. (15 years).